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SUBJ: ZAIRIAN REPRESENTATION IN LUSAKA

1. UNFORTUNATELY, THE ZAIRIAN AMBASSADOR TO ZAMBIA FOR THE LAST SIX YEARS WAS TRANSFERRED TO DAR ES SALAAM AND LEFT LUSAKA ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO. HE TOOK WITH HIM HIS DEPUTY DURING THAT PERIOD. THE NEW CHARGE ARRIVED PROMPTLY AND THE ZAIRIAN AMBASSADOR TO DAR ES SALAAM, WHO IS BEING TRANSFERRED HERE, HAS ALSO ARRIVED BUT HAS NOT YET HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT HIS CREDENTIALS. THUS, ZAIRIAN REPRESENTATION HERE SUFFERS FROM LACK OF GOOD CONTACTS, ALTHOUGH JUDGING FROM THE CHARGE, THEY SEEM TO BE FAIRLY ABLE.

2. IN THE MEANTIME, WE UNDERSTAND FROM THE ZAIRIAN EMBASSY THAT KINSHASA IS SENDING ITINERANT AMBASSADOR LENGEMA, TO LUSAKA AS SOON AS PRESIDENT KAUNDA RETURNS FROM BEIRA AND IS AVAILABLE TO SEE HIM. BELIEVE THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AND URGE THAT THE MISSION BE ACCOMPLISHED BY SOMEONE WHO HAS KNOWN PRESIDENT KAUNDA OVER A PERIOD OF TIME AND IS REATIVELY HIGH RANKING. IF LENGEMA FITS THIS BILL, SO MUCH THE BETTER. THIS SEEMS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT KAUNDA WILL HAVE BEEN WITH NETO IN BEIRA AND HERE IN LUSAKA AND THE PRESENCE IN LUSAKA OF A LARGE ANGOLAN DELEGATION HEADED BY MINISTERS
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